



LOWER & MIDDLE LEAD MOUNTAIN PONDS

T28MD, Hancock Co.
U.S.G.S. Rocky Pond, ME (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brown trout
Brook trout
Rainbow smelt
White perch
Yellow perch
Chain pickerel

Minnows
Golden shiner
White sucker
Hornpout (bullhead)
Pumpkinseed sunfish
American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 486 acres

Maximum depth - 31 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 71°F

30 feet - 54°F

Principal Fishery: White perch, chain pickerel, brown trout

These interconnected waters lie a short distance downstream from Upper Lead Mountain Pond. Access to the southwestern end is over a good quality dirt/gravel road which heads north off Route 9, the "Airline". An adequate public boat launching area is present. The shoreline is lightly developed with camps.

The pond provides suitable habitat for brown trout that were experimentally introduced in 1999. Angler reports and summer 2001 check netting indicate that these fish are performing reasonably well thus far. Our netting effort captured 4 age III+(from the initial stocking) fish which ranged in length from 16.7-19.0 inches. These trout exhibited very good growth, and were in good shape. Brown trout have provided a satisfactory fishery in Upper Lead Mountain Pond, and they will probably do the same here.

The primary fishery is for white perch, many of which attain attractive sizes. On a good day, a typical catch of perch will include a good proportion of 10-12 inch fish. Further, this pond is one of the few that still produces some exceptionally large 14-15 inch perch. Pickerel provide an active fishery.

An unusual feature of this pond is that it has two outlets, Starvation Brook which flows into the East Branch of the Union River and Sevenmile Brook, which is a tributary to the Middle Branch. The lower end of Sevenmile Brook supports brook trout.

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